COUNTY OF LINCOLN

New Mexico Special Meeting Board of County Commissioners

Preston Stone, Chair Dallas Draper, Vice Chair Thomas F. Stewart, Member Elaine Allen, Member Lynn Willard, Member

Minutes Wednesday November 13, 2019

Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Lincoln County Commission held at 8:30 AM on November, 13 2019 in the County Commission Chambers, Lincoln County Courthouse, in Carrizozo, New Mexico.

Call to Order

Chair Stone called the Special Meeting of the Board of County Commissioners to order at 8:30 AM.

2. Roll Call

Roll Call.

Present: Commissioner Stewart (telephonically), Commissioner Allen, Chair Draper (telephonically), Chair Willard.

Absent: Chair Stone.

Vice Chair Draper acting telephonically made formal notice to appoint Commissioner Willard as Chair for Special Meeting.

Others present included Nita Taylor, County Manager; Alan Morel, County Attorney; and Whitney Whittaker, County Clerk.

3. Invocation

Chair Willard asked for a moment of silence.

Pledge of Allegiance

- a. Pledge USA Flag
- b. Salute NM Flag

Approval of Agenda

Motion: Acceptance of the Agenda and authorized the Chair to move items as necessary, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Commissioner Allen, **Seconded by** Commissioner Draper.

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous vote (summary: Yes = 4).

Yes: Commissioner Stewart, Commissioner Allen, Commissioner Draper, Chair Willard.

Motion: Recess the Special Meeting and convene the County Canvassing Board, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Commissioner Allen, **Seconded by** Commissioner Draper.

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous vote (summary: Yes = 4).

Yes: Commissioner Stewart, Commissioner Allen, Commissioner Draper, Chair Willard.

6. Canvass November 5, 2019 Local Election Votes

Whitney Whittaker, Clerk stated there were 13,776 registered voters in Lincoln County eligible to cast a ballot in the very first Local Election, Ms. Whittaker stated 55 Absentee by Mail ballots were received and tabulated; 478 residents Voted Early, and 1,371 residents cast their ballot on Election Day for a total of 1904 ballots cast. Ms. Whittaker stated additionally 2 ballots were received from our 7 overseas and military ballots, sent. Ms. Whittaker informed 1 provisional ballot was issued and tailed.

Ms. Whittaker provided spreadsheets of the unofficial results as reported to the Secretary of State, the ballots issued report, and various voter statistics for review. Ms. Whittaker also made available results tapes from each tabulator and other related election returns for inspection.

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Ms. Whittaker introduced the Lincoln County Clerk's office and commented on the important support the Deputy Clerks provide in addition to the precinct officials and vote technicians in the conduct of elections.

Ms. Whittaker requested the County Canvass Board certify the 2019 Local Election for Lincoln County by their signature on the Certification of Canvass Results.

Chair Willard adjourned the Canvassing Board and reconvened the Special Meeting at 8:43 AM.

Motion: Certify Lincoln County's canvassed results for the 2019 Local Election, Action: Approve, Moved by Commissioner Allen, Seconded by Commissioner Draper.

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous vote (summary: Yes = 4).

Yes: Commissioner Stewart, Commissioner Allen, Commissioner Draper, Chair Willard.

EXHIBIT A: Copies of the Canvass Items are attached hereto in reference thereto made a part hereof.

- 7. Signing of Official Documents
- 8. Next meetings:
 - a. November 19, 2019, Regular Commission Meeting
- 9. Adjourn

There being no further business to come before the Board of County Commissioners, Chair Willard adjourned the meeting at 8:44 AM.

County of Lincoln

Board of County Commissioners,

Preston Stone, Member

Dallas Draper, Vice Chair

F Lynn Willard, Chair

Thomas Stewart, Member

Elaine Allen, Member

ATTEST:

Whitney Whittaker, County Clerk

December 17, 2019
Date Approved

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